HPHS PTO General Board Meeting September 4, 2025 - 9:45 AM

Attendees: Jenny Butler, Emily Ferriman, Dana Lawrence, Carly Jones, Chelsea Duggan, Shannon Flynn, Athena Hoobler, Rob Daugherty, Rosa Doyle, Christine Alex, Lindsie Miller, Geri Schlanger, Julie Fingerman, Holly Fleisher, Jennifer Ginopolis, Kristin Jobski, Paola Wisner, Ashley Kelly, Robin Taxman, Katie Melchor, Lisa Berghoff, Sue Daugherty

- 1) Call to Order & Introductions Called to order at 9:47am
 - a) Went through everyone to introduce themselves
- 2) Approve May 2025 Meeting Minutes
 - a) Motion to approve Sue, Second Emily everyone in favor
 - b) Minutes approved
- 3) Principal's Report (Holly Fleischer)
 - a) Amazing start to the school year, students joining activities, trying out for athletics, learning and growing in classrooms
 - b) Don't forget about the role of the counselor and what a great resource they are
 - c) Google Calendar and how to subscribe for cycle days has been added
 - New resource (Lisa) have a google calendar that was created and can be subscribed to (would be an overlay on top of your calendar)
 - (1) Will show the times of all of the periods and also the bell schedules
 - (2) Will have adjusted schedule on the days there is an assembly
 - (3) Sharing issues, needs to be tested out so can be accessed
- 4) Guest Speaker (Jennifer Ginpolis, Counseling Department Chair)
 - a) Connecting with the community and making sure that they are partnering with parents/guardians
 - b) Looking through it as a lens of a parent
 - i) Want feedback from the parents as well
 - c) What is the role of a counselor with families, caregivers and students –
 presentation
 - Quiz regarding what parents think the role of the counselor is supposed to be

- ii) Goal is to support everyone, but doesn't mean going to push back on things and push into discomfort – support is still there, but spaces to allow for students to healthy and appropriately struggle
- iii) Direct support check in with students, classroom check-ins, small groups in drop in center
- iv) How to schedule and register for classes for the next year creating data about course registration
- v) Using data to guide and support
- vi) Focusing on post-secondary college and career readiness
- vii) Focus on ensuring that the students stay balanced
 - (1) Registration and picking classes that make sense for students
- viii) Questions:
 - (1) With incoming freshman more communication happening with the parents especially surrounding registration
 - (a) Issue with kids ending up in classes that is not following what was discussed with parents
 - (b) Idea to have a freshman committee with parents about the registration process
 - (c) Also understanding options available for Freshman and what is the track from Freshman to Senior year
 - (2) With the presentation would like more about how parents can interact/engage with counseling
 - (3) Idea to have a meet your counselor session at open house
- 5) President's Report (Jenny Butler)
 - a) Membership Update 225 families registered
 - b) Volunteer Opportunities
 - i) Can sign up on the website
- 6) Treasurer's Report (Melissa Sullivan)
 - a) Approve 2025-65 Budget
 - b) Motion to approve budget Rob, Second Emily All in favor everyone, no opposition
 - c) Budget approved
- 7) Committee Reports
 - a) Discretionary (Christine Alex & Emily Ferriman)

- i) One grant request for Freshman advisory approved by Exec board
 - (1) Will be taking them to Heller High ropes course
- ii) Will be getting out the form to make a grant request
- b) Grad Night (Chelsea Duggan)
 - i) Need co-chair
 - ii) Trying to determine where to do grad night based on graduation
 - iii) Graduation in Rosemont this year
- c) Hospitality (Kristin Skinner/Geri)
 - i) Upcoming open house for the staff dinner
 - ii) Slots open if want to help setup and cleanup for Open House
- d) Media & Technology Chair (Rob Daugherty)
 - i) No updates currently
 - ii) If have requests for volunteer forms or updates to website, please just reach out to Rob
- e) Paint the Town Blue Saturday, September 27th (Sue Daugherty & Lindsie Miller)
 - i) Outreach to businesses as well as to student activities, clubs and athletics
 - ii) In execution phase great excitement and interest
 - iii) Biggest area need volunteers on that date
- f) Parent's Night Out (Ashely Kelly)
 - i) Date TBD
- g) Pie Sales (Christine Lee & Athena Hoobler)
 - i) Will be coming up in October
- 8) Next PTO meeting Oct. 9 @ 9:45 am via Google Meet
- 9) Adjourn at 10:47am